

# SERVICES IN KINGS CANYON PARK & USFS AREAS

## Grant Grove Area

### GRANT GROVE VILLAGE

6600' (2008 m) elevation. Grant Grove was originally General Grant National Park, created in 1890 to protect sequoias from logging. Here you can see both a pristine grove & one that was logged in the 1800s. In addition to picnicking and horseback riding (see page 3), the village offers:

#### INFORMATION

- **Visitor Center (NPS):** Daily 8am-6pm through 8/21, then 8am-5pm Exhibits & a 15-minute slide show on the area's natural & human history, books, maps, first aid. Local wilderness permits issued 8am-4pm only. 1-559-565-4307.

#### FOOD & SHOPS (KCPS)

- **Restaurant:** Daily 7am-9pm through 9/5. Pizza available daily noon-2pm & 5-10pm. Starting 9/6 Saturday 7am-8pm; Sunday 7am-7pm; weekdays 7:30am-2pm & 4:30-7pm (Friday until 8pm).
- **Gift Shop:** Daily 8am-9pm. Starting 9/6 9am-7pm (8pm on weekends). Film, souvenirs, clothing. ATM in lobby.
- **Market:** Daily 8am-9pm. Starting 9/6 9am-7pm (8pm on weekends). Groceries, bear canisters, emergency gasoline, supplies.

#### OTHER SERVICES

- **Camping (NPS) & Lodging:** See page 8-9 for details.
- **Showers (KCPS):** Daily 11am-4pm through 9/5 then closed.
- **Post Office:** Hours may vary. Monday-Friday 9am-3:30pm & Saturday 9am-11:30pm. Lobby & stamp machine open 24 hours. Address visitor mail: c/o General Delivery, Kings Canyon NP, CA 93633. 1-559-335-2499.

## Cedar Grove Area

### CEDAR GROVE VILLAGE

4600' (1410 m) elevation. This glaciated valley features towering granite cliffs, tumbling waterfalls, and the powerful Kings River. In summer the area offers picnicking and horseback riding (see page 3) as well as:

#### INFORMATION

- **Visitor Center (NPS):** Daily 9am-5pm through 9/6, then closed for the season. 1-559-565-3793.
- **Wilderness Permits (NPS):** At Road's End, 6 miles (9.6km) east of the Village. Permits issued daily 7:30am-3:30pm through 9/21, then self-register. Map sales and bear-canister rentals.

#### FOOD, LODGING & SHOPS (KCPS)

- **Restaurant:** Counter-service meals & snack bar; not a full-service restaurant. Daily 7am-2pm & 5-9pm. Starting 9/6 weekends 7:30am-2pm & 5-7pm, weekdays 7:30-10:30am. Lunch supplies available at market.
- **Gift Shop & Market:** Salads, sandwiches, supplies, bear canisters, souvenirs, film. Daily 7am-9pm. Starting 9/6 7:30am-7pm.
- **Camping & Lodging:** See page 8 & 9 for details.
- **Showers & Laundry:** Daily 8am-7pm (until 6pm starting 9/6). Last laundry load in by 1 hour before closing. Get shower key at market.

## USFS: National Forest & Monument

### HUME LAKE & BIG MEADOWS AREAS (FS)

Giant Sequoia National Monument, part of Sequoia National Forest, borders much of the western edge of these National Parks. You are in National Forest when you drive between the park areas of Lodgepole and Grant Grove, and between Grant Grove and Cedar Grove (see page 2 for more on the difference between Park and Forest). The area was sold to the government as a Forest Reserve in 1935. It is an excellent place to see recovery from intensive sequoia logging in the late 1800s. Snowy in winter, in summer it offers picnicking & horseback riding (see page 3) as well as:

#### INFORMATION

- **USFS Hume Lake District Office (FS):** 35860 Kings Canyon Road (Hwy 180) in Dunlap, 19 miles (31 km) west of Kings Canyon Park entrance at Big Stump. Monday-Saturday 8am-4:30pm through 9/4 then weekdays only. Maps, books. 1-559-338-2251; [www.fs.fed.us/r5/sequoia](http://www.fs.fed.us/r5/sequoia).

#### OTHER SERVICES

- **Camping (FS) & Lodging (private):** See pages 8-9 for details.
- **Boyden Cavern:** On Hwy 180 between Grant Grove & Cedar Grove. Cave tours on the hour 11am-4pm through May then 10am-5pm. \$10 ages 14 & up; \$5 ages 3-13; under 3 free. AAA discounts. On Hwy 180 between Grant Grove & Cedar Grove. 1-209-736-2708.
- **Stony Creek Village & Lodge (FS):** Market 7am-8pm (9pm Friday-Saturday). Restaurant Tuesday-Sunday 11:30am-2pm & 5-8pm (9pm Friday-Saturday); closed Monday. Showers 8am-7pm. Starting 9/6, facilities close one hour earlier and restaurant closed Monday-Tuesday.
- **Montecito-Sequoia Resort (FS):** A permitted resort on public land open year-round. On the Generals Highway, 9 miles (14.5km) south of Grant Grove. Restaurant: breakfast 7:30-9am, lunch 12-1:30pm, dinner 5:30-7pm. Hours change in early September. Cabins, hotel, children's activities. Reservations: 1-800-227-9900; [www.mslodge.com](http://www.mslodge.com). Lodge: 1-800-843-8677 or 1-559-565-3388.
- **Boat & Bicycle Rentals, Swimming, Fishing:** Private facilities open to public at Hume Lake, 8 miles (13km) north of Grant Grove on Hwy 180 then 3 miles (5km) south on Hume Lake Road. 24-hour laundry (coin operated) & gas station (with credit card). Market weekdays 8am-10:30pm, Saturday 7am-7pm. Snack bar hours vary. Call for details and dates of rentals: 1-559-335-2000.

#### GASOLINE

- **Gas Sales (private):** At Stony Creek Village and Hume Lake Christian Camps (both 24 hours with credit card) and Kings Canyon Lodge (usually 9am-dark). See *Rules of the Road*, page 11, for more details.

### CELEBRATE SEQUOIAS!

**On September 11, join us for the 6th Annual Celebrate Sequoias Festival in Princess Campground. Enjoy walks to less-visited groves, music, arts & crafts, kid's activities, and talking to experts about the awesome giant sequoias.**



## NATURE PROGRAMS



**Ranger-led programs listed below are offered through mid-August; some may continue into September. Other walks and talks may be offered; please check bulletin boards for schedules.**

#### GRANT GROVE

**Daily 2pm - Grant Tree Walk:** Stroll this paved trail beneath the giant trees to learn about sequoias, fire, and local history. Meet at Grant Tree parking lot. 2/3 mile, 1 hour.

**Nightly - Evening Campfire:** Spend time around the fire and under the stars learning about these parks. Meet at the Sunset Campground amphitheater. Check locally for times and topics.

#### CEDAR GROVE

**Ranger Walks -** Join us in exploring the natural and cultural world of Cedar Grove. We may explore Zumwalt Meadow, the Kings River, and Kanawyer's Camp & Copper Mine. Check local bulletin boards for topics, dates, and times. 1-2 hours.

**Evening Campfire:** Meet a ranger at the amphitheater near the visitor center and learn more about this special place. Check locally for days and times. 1 hour.